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The Turn of The Tide

Thus far Governor Smith has been campaigning in the States where he is least well known and therfore in territory where the underground propaganda has been most effective. His success has been amazing. No competent observer can have any doubt that the contrast between Mr. Hoover's silences, evasions and irrelevances, on the one hand, and Governor Smith's plain speaking, on the other, has made a profound impregsion on the voters, declares the New York World.

Everywhere the question is being asked: What keeps Herbert Hoover from speaking his mind? Why can't he say what he thinks about water power, farm relief, prohibition? Why does he have to make a fake issue out of the tariff? Why do his spellbinders have to misrepresent Governor Smith's position on immigration? Why, when every intelligent business man knows it is absurd, does Mr. Hoover, who eight years ago appealed for a Democratic Congress, now pretend to belief that the Republicans have a patent on prosperity? In less than a month of campaigning Governor Smith has unsettled, exposed and discredited the Republican campaign strategy. He has already reversed the whole trend of opinion in the South and West.

The Republicans, who thought that the South would change its allegiance to the Democratic Party at the behest of Southern bigots and fanatics, must know by this time that Bishop Cannon, Dr. Straton and Mrs. Willebrandt have failed. Southern leaders know better than any one else that to turn over their States to the so-called Hoover Democrats is to surrender to the worst elements in their communities. The border States from West Virginia to Oklahoma are fighting-ground; the bigots and fanatics have done their worst, and the liberals are on the offensive. In the West, from Wisconsin to Colorado, the whole Progressive vote, which followed Roosevelt, Wilson and La Follette, has been moving steadily toward Smith since the Omaha speech.

The Republicans know all this quite well, and in the last ten days they have done their best to conceal the greatness of the tide toward Smith by a propaganda of defeatism among the band-wagon voters.

For an historical parallel it is necessary to go back to the victory of Andrew Jackson in 1832 and of Abraham Lincoln in 1860. For today, as in those two epochal campaigns, a multitude of American voters, hitherto disregarded by the party in power, have found a champion and a program. No dopester studying the figures of 1924 and 1920 can possibly calculate the consequences of the uprising in the West and in the East of millions of silent voters whom the Republican Party has treated as second-class citizens.

All that anybody can say is that the tide has turned toward Smith, and that with courage, intelligence and candor the victory can be won.

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Daniels Appeals for Solid Southern Vote

By JOSEPHUS DANIELS
Secretary of the Navy in President Wilson's Cabinet

This year Republican politicians turn avid eyes to old rock-ribbed Democratic commonwealths in the hope of securing enough electoral votes from the South to make up the losses which they expect to sustain because of revolt against the policies which have permitted the few to monopolize the bulk of prosperity created by the labor of the many.

Josephus Daniels

If the secret circulation of literature the Republican leaders are ashamed to send out under their name, if the lavish use of money obtained from those enjoying special favors, and the misleading statements as to the Republican policies succeed, they hope to temporarily seduce the South from its ancient faith.

Nobody pretends there is any increase of Republican sentiment in the South for Republican policies. This would be impossible in view of the record of the Republican administration. The chief possibility of Republican victory is based upon the division between Democrats.

The answer will be, and it should be made with resounding emphasis that just as for fifty years Southerners have refused to sell their birth right for a proffered mess of pottage, so they will decline the invitation now of the Republican spider to walk into his parlor.

BLACK CAT BRINGS LUCK TO FRIEND

Act of Rescue Results in $7,000 Catch.

Wildwood, N. J.—The tradition of bad luck which has been woven about the black cat was destroyed recently, at least for Capt. Hilding Peterson of the fishing schooner Clifton. As the result of his kindness to a stowaway black cat, in prohibiting his crew from throwing it overboard to prevent a jinx, the captain is $7,000 richer than when he put out from Wildwood Gables.

When demands came from the forecastle to toss the cat overboard, Captain Peterson refused and shared his cabin with it. At dawn during the skipper's watch the cat followed him to the deck and sprang to the rigging, clawing its way upward to the empty crow's nest where a lookout had not yet been stationed.

The captain climbed the rattlines to its rescue and from the high place saw a large area of the sea broken by baby mackerel trying to escape the attack of a school of bluefish.

Dories were lowered quickly, encircling the entire school with seine, and three hours later the Clifton sailed into Cold Spring Harbor, the deck waist deep in bluefish. Captain Peterson was at the wheel, a black cat perched on his shoulder.

The catch, the record of the season, filled more than 400 barrels and brought $7,000 at the docks. The crew raised a fund to buy the [illegible]

BOOTLEG KING FOR HOOVER

CINCINNATI.—George Remus, who lost his prestige as the "King of the Bootleggers" a year ago, when he shot his wife, Mrs. Imogene Remus, is for Herbert Hoover for President. "I'm sure Mr. Hoover will be elected," he said. "I am for him, of course."

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Joseph T. Robertson
Arkansas

For Congress
Harry St. George Tucker

For U. S. Senate
Claude A. Swanson

Election Tuesday.

Much speaking and campaigning has been enjoyed by the people the past week in this county. It is impossible for us to report them even briefly—Sen. Strode upholding the banner of Democracy and Mr. Nickols and Rev. Sunday endeavoring to capture deserters. Let it be known that every effort possible has been made to persuade Democrats to desert their party for Mr. Hoover, who sat at the council table with plunderers of public property and betrayers of the American people. To compare such a man's record with that of Al Smith is so weak and silly that we feel safe in saying the Democrats of Appomattox will be found firm and faithful to the party with an honest and clean record.

Negroes Complain

Professor W. E. B. DuBois, leading negro citizen and Republican politician of New York, Editor of The Crisis, official organ of the Association for the Advancement of Colored People, criticizes Governor Alfred E. Smith in the October number of The National for not recognizing negroes in the matter of appointments to public office.

Among other things Professor DuBois says:

"In all Governor Smith's long career he has sedulously avoided recognizing negroes in any way. He has twice vetoed bills which would have given a negro magistrate to Harlem. He has never given a negro any major appointment. He has seldom been willing to receive a negro delegation and it is doubtful if he has met personally in all his career a half dozen of the 250,000 negroes of his state.

"Likewise, I say, if they will vote for Al Smith. But a vote for Al Smith is a vote for the Bourbon South," is his concluding statement.

A Dry Man

As a democrat, and a citizen of Appomattox county, interested in the government of the State of Virginia, and especially of Appomattox county, I am going to ask that you be kind enough to let me say a word through the columns to the voters of Appomattox about the present campaign. I have heard several speeches, and have read much that has been said and written about the present campaign, dition of the book market, as Many seem not to discuss the issues and platform of the parties at all, but only the two candidates, and particularly one of them. I have tried to analyze the situation from the standpoint of a farmer, and have come to the conclusion, as I believe many other farmers have, that it is time we have some change in the Government at Washington.

I don't think I ever knew the farmers of the country to be in a worse condition than they are now under the Republican adminsstration, and the only legislation that was intended to give relief to the farmiers, our Republican President vetoed twice. The only hope of relief that I see in sight is for the election of Governor Smith and a Democratic Congress.

As to the other issues that are being discussed, most are of personal nature, I do not profess to be informed sufficiently to discuss them, but I can draw my own conclusions. I know of nothing worse for a community or country than the preaching and practice of religious prejudice and hate. This campaign has developed into this to a great extent, and I don't believe the truth is being told in many instances. We hear it from the pulpits, the public rostrum and read it in the papers. I think every man ought to be allowed to worship as he pleases. Our laws I am told give us that right, and if he is a good citizen otherwise, honest and capable, why should he not be entrusted with public office.

When it comes to the prohibition question, I am dry and have always been, but I don't think there is much difference between the candidates, and certainly not between the party platforms as I read them. I don't think the way the law has been enforced by the republican administration that it could be any worse under any other administration. I believe that honesty, truthfulness integrity and efficiency are more important than whether a man is wet or dry in his personal views.

The Democratic Party has always been the party of the South and for the South. It has given us the progress and development we now have, and in my openion is the hope of the south in the future. Our state leaders are all splendid men and dry men, capable and fearless, honest and of high character. I am content to continue to follow their leadership, the leadership of Governor Byrd, Senators Swanson and Glass, State Senators Mapp and Layman, the authors of our prohibition laws. and expect to remain loyal to the Democratic Party and its principles and support all the nominees of the party. I hope my friends and neighbors will do so too.

Respectfully,
S. E. Anderson.

Tammany

Recently Dr. Conrad, of Roanoke, spoke in the Courthouse here, a report of his speech was published in this paper. He was at times positively unguarded and unfair in his remarks about Gov. Smith and Tammany Hall—quoting from M. R. Werner's book on Tammany.

The real truth is told by a man who knows and is a Republican at that—here it is, and Dr. Conrads' authority is distinctly discredited:

Editor, Petersburg Progress-Index:

Sir: You have printed some references to a republican campaign document entitled "Tammany Hall," written by M. R. Werner. To prevent any misunderstanding, let me say at the outset that I am a republican who cast his first presidential vote for Benjamin Harrison in 1892 and his last for Calvin Coolidge in 1924: but I hate slander, whether it is republican slander or democratic slander.

This book was published when it became certain that Smith would be nominated and was certainly intended to have a campaign sale. It was, without the slightest doubt written for that purpose. A few days ago a celebrated author, talking over with a celebrated publisher the conauthors do, was told that among others "Tammany Hall" was not selling very well. Since sales determine the expenditure of money in advertising he was surprised, and asked where, then, the publishers got the money for those full-page advertisements. "Oh, the Republican National Committee" was the answer. Whether the publisher knew the secret of his trade or not, any simpleton can see that if the Republican National Committee is not backing the book financially it is overlooking a good bet and is very careless.

THREE WAYS OF LYING

As for the book itself, it is a remarkable example of conveying a false idea by suppressing truth, exaggerating truth and misrepresenting conditions and persons. It aims to show that for 139 years New York city has been daily and yearly robbed by thieves; that the history of Tammany is a consistent whole, from Boss Aaron Burr, "the first great grafter of a century ago," through a procession of identical thieves down to this day. This, which is the whole burden of the book, is false.

It is also impossible. No city ever could live under a government of criminals for a century, or even for many years. Criminal government would necessarily end in the destruction of civilization. The nearest approach to such a condition was in San Francisco in the 1850s. If it had preisisted, civilization would have disappeared there; but a vigilance committee ended it in 1856. It is further impossible, because a city which was continuously looted for a century and a half, or even for a score of years, would grow poor, and New York has grown rich under these so-called robbers.

It is also false in fact, because there has been no such continuous prosecution of bandit bosses. Burr is not an admirable figure but he was no more a grafter than Hamilton or Jefferson. Although Werner gives a list of the dynasty of bosses, Tammany never had a boss until 1866, and has had four since then. Before Tweed the nearest approach to a boss was Fernando Wood, but he was never more than the leading figure among several political chiefs.

OLVANY IS NOT A BOSS

Of the four bosses, Tweed was a thief, Croker a bandit, Kelly an honest man, Murphy discouraged crookedness, kept down the Sullivan clan and the other worse elements, and, while not an ideal character, improved conditions in New York. Since him there has been no boss, for Olvany is only a party leader like Hiram Johnson in California, Simmons in North Carolina, Taggart in Indiana. As one who bore some parts in the fights against Croker and Murphy, when Werner was either unborn or a child, I have no reason to eulogize Tammany Hall.

The city is better governed than any other I know of, and I have lived in three and stayed in many others.

governed under Croker, but Murphy reigned twenty-two years and Olvany four, and I assure you that we New Yorkers do not rise in the morning expecting to be robbed before night. We are well content with our government. And in New York the reformers, the independents, the progressives, and the good government advocates vote the democratic ticket by majorities that increase yearly for that reason and no other. The democratic ticket is the Tammany ticket; there is no other democratic party, and no desire to start any though in Croker's time there were rival democratic parties made up of reform democrats. There are none now, because they can get all the reforms they want from Governor Smith and Mayor Walker.

HOW WERNER TURNS THE TRICK

How does Werner prove this obvious impossibility—the impossibility that any city anywhere could be continuously and monotonously robbed for 139 years without going to perdition, without being impoverished, and without even protesting? As said before, by suppression here, exaggeration there, and misrepresentation elsewhere; all done with an eye on its effectiveness for the campaign purpose of the Republican National Committee. He presents extracts from the report of the Lexow Committee showing the crimes that were perpetrated under Croker through the police force; but he nowhere informs you that the police department was ruled by a four-headed bi-partisan commission, and that many of the crimes had been committed years before by anti-Tammany administrations. The official extracts read impressive; and the reader may not notice, in his haste, that along with them Werner prints other quotations as if they were of equal authority, but which in fact are mere gossip and mostly mendacious on their face. The reader, seeing that the Lexow extracts are authentic, is not likely to notice that the others, put forward with the same gravity, are the utterances of irresponsible persons—who, in fact, though the reader may not know it, were such notorious and imprudent liars as George Wilkes and Mike Walsh.

This is merely one illustration of his invariable method. You, of course, have not the space for me to go through the book and give example after example. Two general characteristics, however, I must call attention to. The first is that by ingenious and subtle treatment, without uttering any down-right lie, he manages to give the impression that every municipal crime ever perpetrated in New York was Tammany's. He does not say so, but he re-counts the crimes, and since the book is entitled "Tammany Hall", the uninformed reader will naturally suppose that they were all the crimes of that organization. That impression is the impression Werner, and the Republican National Committee, design to give.

BRYCE DID NOT CONDEMN TAMMANY

The other is that in presenting his authorities everything is grist that comes to his mill. Since readers are not discriminating, he can thus produce the impression that he is presenting a series of damning testimonies of equal authority. While the reader is still startled over the authentic arraignment of Croker's policemen by the Lexow Committee, he is not likely to notice that the next damning evidence is from a campaign poster, an editorial paragraph, or a novel. Almost side by side he quotes Alfred Henry Lewis and Lord Bryce, for instance. Bryce by the way, was not condemning Tammany Hall though Werner makes it appear so; he was critizing American municipal government as a whole. But who was the co-authority, Lewis? A novelist looking for dramatic situations; and throughout the book Werner quotes as authorities such names as Lexow and Big John Kennedy. The reader is thus led to think that Kennedy and Lexow were men whose words are to be weighed. But who was Kennedy? A fictitious character in Lewis' novel. The Boss," He never existed, and Lewis never pretended that he did.

WHAT TAMMANY REALLY IS

Finally, what is "Tammany?" It is the democratic organization of the county of New York. The so-called "city" of New York consists of five counties, three cities, and perhaps a hundred towns and villages. New York county is one of the five counties in the "city" and "Tammany" is the nickname of the democratic party there. Like the democratic party—and the republican party—in other cities, states and cities, it is made up of good and bad, rich and poor, wise and foolish. It is made up of merchants, farmers—there are farmers in the "city"—fishermen, bankers, mechanics, clerks, stenographers saleswomen, ministers, lawyers doctors and fashionable ladies: Methist, Catholics, Jews and atheists. It votes the Tammany ticket by ever-increasing majorities, so it must enjoy being fleeced and looted every day for 139 years. Its grandfathers must have liked it, 139 years ago, and all their posterity. That is what Werner—and the Republican National Committee—would have gullible people living in other places believe. I have never voted for any of its candidates except Mayor Gaynor—who was a Tammany man—and Mayor Walker. But that is not because I am afraid Tammany would rob me, or lead my daughter into one of those imaginary dens of vice, or put a bottle to my son's lips. It is because I am a republican; but I like my democratic—that is to say, Tammany, for there are no others in New York—neighbors, and am not afraid of them even when one of them gets to be a judge or mayor or police commissioner.

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